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Troop 69 Postings



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Special points of interest:

- Know your state flags.
- Scout Tips-- safety
- Troop Web Site is Ready
- Summer Camp
- Uncle Sam Recruits
- What picture is this?
- The Quiz Show



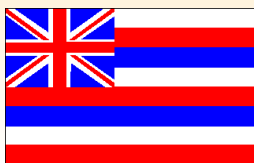
Day Hike at Chautauqua

Famous Sayings

Everything is funny
as long as it is
happening to
somebody else.

--Will Rogers (1879 - 1935)

Name this State Flag.



Scouts and parents of Troop 69 took a short (~5 mile) hike along the Mesa Trail on June 7th. Here are some pix from the trail area. Originally, the folks were going to do a hike in RMNP but the weather appeared threatening and they decided to do a hike along the Mesa Trail instead.



Scout Tips – Wet Weather, Widths

Famous Sayings

One has fear in front of a goat, in back of a mule, and on every side of a fool

--Edgar Watson Howe

Which Merit Badge is this?



Wet-Weather Fire Tip

Before the rain begins, gather tinder and kindling for several fires and store it under your dining fly.

Measuring Widths - Napoleon Method.

Stand on one shore of a stream. Bow your head, chin against your chest. Hold your hand to your forehead in a salute. Move your hand down until the

front edge of it seems to touch the opposite shore. Without changing the position of your hand, make a quarter turn. Notice the point at which the edge of your hand seems to touch the near shore. Pace off the distance to that point, and you will know the width of the river. Napoleon might have used the brim of this hat instead of his hand. If you are wearing a cap with a visor, so can you.

Quiz Show

5. This woman was a famous orator of the 19th century yet she could neither read nor write.

Sojourner Truth
Frances Willard
Dorthea Dix

Name That Knot

What knot would you use **for tying a boat to the dock?**

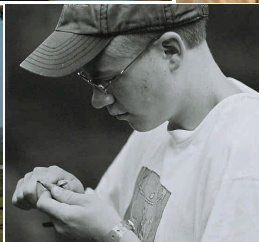
- A. Clove hitch
- B. Timber Hitch
- C. Bowline
- D. Sheet bend



Summer Camp



"Two reasons for the Scout Merit Badge Plan are 1) to give you more skill in the things you like to do; 2) to give you a chance to try out new activities, so that you can find new things which you really like."
-Baden-Powell

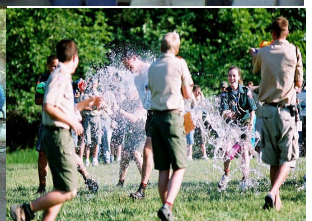


KNOTS!!



Purpose of Boy Scouts

"The purpose of the Boy Scouts of America, incorporated on February 8, 1910, and chartered by Congress in 1916, is to provide an educational program for boys and young adults to build character, to train in the responsibilities of participating citizenship, and to develop personal fitness."



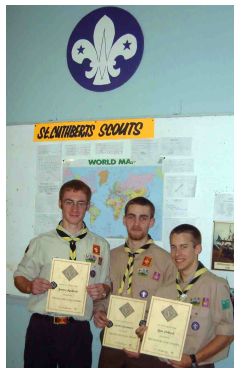
Hot Chili, anyone?

Raft Trip

On July 24-26, the troop will again travel to the Rock Gardens at Glenwood Springs for a couple of days rafting and going to the sights at Glenwood (pool, caves, etc).

We'll leave Thursday and be back on Saturday. Cost is about \$75 plus gas/pool/food. Contact Mr Stone if you would like to go.

We'll have some scouts from the UK there (picture at right) and get to hear a bit about scouting in jolly old England.



Climbing

Troop 69 is scheduled to do a top rope climb on July 19th. This climb is going to be local and fairly easy. We will have a ground school before the climb.

Call Curt Lehman or Ralph Tavino for further information

Uncle Sam Recruits 7-year-old

satirewire.com

NEW PORT RICHEY, Fla. — First the Marines came calling. Now the Navy wants Joey Crossman.

"For every time someone said you couldn't do it. Or you don't have what it takes . . . Prove them wrong," the Navy has challenged Joey in a letter that also promised to "accelerate" his life.

But is Joey ready for the ride? After all, he's only 7.

"We're just waiting for the Army and the Air Force," said Joey's mother, Kathy Crossman, who was astonished to find the latest recruiting letter in the mail last week. "He's probably the most wanted 7-year-old in the country."

The name of the recent first-grade graduate has mistakenly landed on military recruitment lists, most likely through a magazine subscription. In April, the Marines tried to recruit Joey, who was still somewhat indifferent to the idea as he sipped from a juice box and watched his friends swinging on a jungle gym.

"I can assure you the United States Navy is not in the business of recruiting 7-year-olds," said Lt. Bill Davis, a spokesman for Navy Recruiting Command in Millington, Tenn. "Our minimal age is 17 with parental consent.

"But if he's got interest in the Navy and he wants to find out more, we'll help him. It has to start somewhere," Davis added.

But if the Navy wants Joey, it may have to make some changes to accommodate his standard of living.

Joey toured the USS Yorktown during a family trip to South Carolina in April and wasn't impressed with the hard, impersonal bunks.

"The bathrooms they had weren't working," Joey said. "I just don't want to live on a ship."

- Associated Press

Merit Badge Classes Update

The scouts will have opportunities to spend some of their time on Monday nights learning and earning merit badges. What merit badges do you want to earn? We will be reviewing what merit badges troop scouts think would be best to start working on for the next few months.

One idea from a parent was to have a binder with merit badges in progress for each scout. If all the adults were signed up for each required merit badge, then the requirements would get signed off a bit quicker.

What do you think?.

What would you like to accomplish by the next Court of Honor?



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Scout Slogan:
Do a Good Turn
Daily

On the Web!!!
<http://bcn.boulder.co.us/community/troop69>

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Web Site for Troop 69

by Luc Trudel

Troop 69 now has a new web site at

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/bsat_69

The web site is a free service of Yahoo. Combined with the web site is a group email address that enables anyone in Troop 69 to email all the members of the troop (adults and scouts) using a single email address:

bsat_69@yahoogroups.com

The only drawback to the site is that to log in you'll need to create a Yahoo account if you don't already have one (there's gotta be something in it for Yahoo...).

To use the group email you do not need to become a Yahoo member.

The **webhead** maintains this official website:

<http://bcn.boulder.co.us/community/troop69>

is the official posting location for all documents. At present, we are only using the yahoo site as a group email address.

Troop 69 Archives

I think we'll all remember our time at Camp Cedars, NE. Whether it was the food, Toni's mishap, Alex's jokes and remarkable recovery, winning at kickball and the spirit stick, motorcycle guy going 85 mph (no hands), revision of the troop waiver, or the 'shower incident'; they were all pretty memorable!



Jake and Johan doing some 'repairs' at Camp Cedars.



ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ QUESTIONS And Meeting Notes

State flag : Hawaii

Quiz answer #1 I'm not sure—
look it up!

The correct knot
for to form a loop
that will not close
would be A, a
clove hitch.



Merit Badge: ?The
pets merit badge

If you missed some,
better luck next
month!!!

Stuff in July 2003

June 30th - Regular mtg @ BVCC 7pm
BOR, uniform inspections
prep for Court of Honor

July 7th — Court of Honor-Baha'i Ctr.
7-8:30pm

July 9th Parents mtg at Baha'i Ctr

July 14th—Fun Night at the boulder rock
gym 7-8:15

July 15th—PLC at Hut

July 21st- mtg at hut —get ready for
raft trip

July 24-26th—Raft trip at Glenwood

July 28th Regular mtg @ BVCC 7pm
There may be some changes to the Troop meeting
locations so listen up at the meet-
ings.

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